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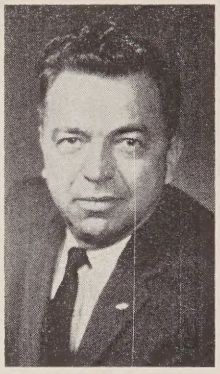
Bagpipe Skirls

Dear Brethren,

I wanted to save the first number on the program for a later date—maybe as an opening in the January program. But, the bag says there is nothing to be lost in doing all the good you can as soon as you can and nothing to be gained by putting it off until another day. It didn't take many of his squeaks and squawks to win me over to his way of thinking. We open this program with:



TEN COMMANDMENTS OF HUMAN RELATIONS

1. Speak to people. There is nothing as nice as a cheerful word of greeting.
2. Smile at people. It takes 72 muscles to frown, only 14 to smile.
3. Call people by name. The sweetest music to anyone's ears is the sound of his own name.
4. Be friendly and helpful. If you would have friends, be friendly.
5. Be cordial. Speak and act as if everything you do is a genuine pleasure.
6. Be genuinely interested in people. You can like almost everybody, if you try.
7. Be generous with praise — cautious with criticism.
8. Be considerate with the feelings of others. There are usually three sides to a controversy; yours, the other fellow's, and the right one.
9. Be alert to give service. What counts most in life is what we do for others.
10. Add to this a good sense of humor, a big dose of patience, and a dash of humility and you will be rewarded many fold.

Rotary Voice

A little boy making his first visit to a large city was in the elevator of a skyscraper. They had shot upward at breath taking speed for about 30 floors. The little fellow asked timidly, "Daddy, does the Lord know we are coming?"

If you do not ache anywhere get right down on your knees and thank the Almighty that you are not in pain. And, while you're there, ask Him to keep you from being a pain-in-the-neck to others.

Son to Dad: "Sure, I know Lincoln was splitting rails at my age, but by your age he was President."

The teenager sent his girl her first orchid with this note: "With all my love and most of my allowance."

A young miss was walking down the street sporting one of those gosh-awful hairdos which women wear today. As she passed two men, one of them turned to the other and muttered: "Looks like she got her reprieve just as the warden pulled the switch."

We're thankful we have free speech in this country—and equally thankful that there's no law requring us to listen to it.

A farmer and his wife were spending a long awaited vacation in the big city. When they asked the price of a hamburger at a restaurant, the waiter replied, "$1.50".

After doing some mental calculations the farmer leaned over to his wife and said, "Bessie, do you realize we've got a cow at home worth $65,000?"

Live so that when people speak evil of you—nobody will believe it.

A good wife can do almost anything for a man except put his hat on just right.

The young man wired home from his job saying, "Made foreman, feather in my cap." After some weeks he wired again: "Made manager, feather in my cap." A few days later came another wire: "Fired; send money for my fare home."

His dubious wife unfeelingly wired back, "Use feathers and fly home."

Now, Brethren, a thought to go until we see you again: "A kind deed is the best tonic for the day."

Your piper,
Paul Stevens

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C. A. SEIFERT. 33°

Having lost about 400 members to the newly created Consistory in Raleigh, N. C., it behooves all of our members who can and are interested in the continued growth of the New Bern Consistory to use every effort possible to help in assembling a creditable class of candidates for our Fall Reunion (November 16, 17 and 18). Won't you please help in this effort?

I've often heard, "Let Charlie do it" — he's getting paid for it.

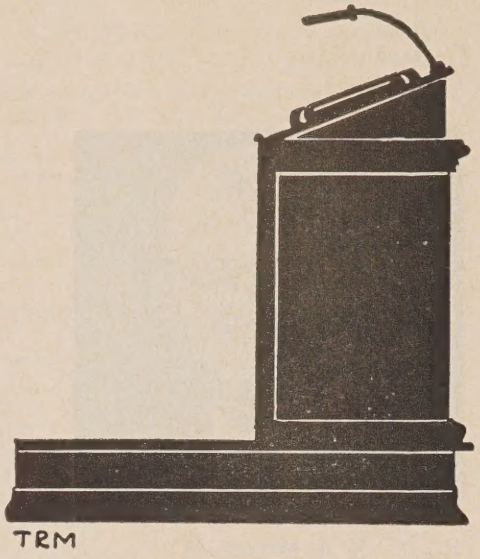
That I must admit, but I would be paid just as much for wearing out the seat of an arm chair, did I elect to do so. I am going to do all I can, as much as old age will permit, but I need help and am calling on our members to give me that help.

You have always responded magnificently in the past and I don't believe you'll let me down this time. Thank you.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Charles Seifert

Secretary



From The Classroom

BY R. L. PUGH, 33°, CLASS LECTURER

TO IMPROVE MYSELF

By C. C. Marshall

It was reported that, on the morning of Aug. 4, 1914, Sir Edward Grey, Foreign Secretary of Great Britain, after an all night session, while looking out the windows as the lamplighters were turning off the street lights, called a fellow Cabinet member to his side and said: "Do you see the man putting out the lights? I tell you that the lights are now going out all over Europe and will not be relighted in our time." He might have said all over the world, and they have not come on again even though the days of Edward Grey are long past.

When we think of light, we are carried back to the first words in the Holy Bible: the Great Light of Masonry.

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void: and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters and God said, let there be light: and there was light. And God saw that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness. And God called the light day, and the darkness He called night.

We are told this was in the beginning when the world was brought from darkness to light, but it was not until the fourth day that He created the firmament to divide the day from night. And God made two great lights for the living things which He created on the sixth day. Thus it was, light was provided before the creation of man.

Light was not needed upon the earth in the beginning but on the fourth day He prepared for the living things which He created on the sixth day. Thus it was, light was provided before the creation of man.

While at the time of the creation the only light was the physical that enabled the living things to see, but as mentality increased, light in our present day has several meanings, the Spiritual, the mental and the physical. The one great Spiritual light is God, the Creator to whom all things owe their existence. The mental light is the understanding and knowledge of all living creatures. The physical light gives us our day and separates the world from the evils of darkness.

The light that was good and that answered the Supreme command on that first day did not come from the sun nor the moon. It must have come from the countenance of God Himself, then beginning His work as the Grand Architect of the Universe.

At a much later date an ordained messenger saw a vision and wrote: "And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine upon it, for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof." (Rev. 21-23)

The question all thoughtful men are asking is, "What is God? Masonry teaches that God is Life, Spirit, Principle, Intelligence, the Great Architect of the Universe.

Why does the understanding of God as light, mean so much to a Mason? Because God is the Supreme Being, the foundation of all, everything we may see, hear, feel, or know, and the natural laws governing all things are evidence of a Supreme Creator.

Even though Masonry may not teach its members just what God is, nevertheless the great Fraternity of men who practice the moral and spiritual virtues

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as taught in the Masonic ritual is one of the outstanding illustrations of Divine Love among men. Thus the designs on the trestleboard of life plainly trace the plan of God for the improvement of mankind, and the world conditions of today as compared with those of the time of creation, shows the marvelous progress according to God's plan.

Day after day we read accounts of people facing some important decision, often in desperate circumstances, when all hope seems to have been lost, seeking the help of God by prayer and receiving His answer.

This suggests the question, "In time of difficulty and great danger, in whom do you put your trust?" The minds turn to God.

Men everywhere are asking, "What can I do to help solve world problems and establish world peace?" There is only one answer. The destruction of evil and discord starts in individual thought. We are told "a house divided against itself cannot stand."

Our responsibility is to let the Light of Masonry so shine before men that they will see our good works and all live accordingly.

Yes, but some say, "I can do so little, my light is so small." But the firefly and the glowworm which carry their light wherever they go teach a lesson that we could all imitate.

The light which we are commanded to let shine is not from ourselves but is derived from God, the Great Light of Masonry, our universal Father of all men to whom we owe our all, both here and hereafter. Brothers, let it shine that men in all parts of the world may see it and be united in one large family of God's children.

The world cannot live in an atmosphere of threat and counterthreat, in fear and confusion; but in perfect love and respect for all our neighbors, all on one common level as taught by Masonry.

The Prophet Mohammed wrote, "God is the light of the heavens and of the earth. God guideth whom He will to His light, and God setteth forth parables to men, for God knoweth all things."

There is a similar thought in the words of Buddha, "As a mother even at the risk of her own life protects her son, so he who has recognized the Truth sure among all cultivates good will without measure among all beings, unstinted, unmixed of any feeling of making distinctions or showing preferences. To him in whom love dwells, the whole world is but one family. Like the body that is made up of different limbs and organs, all creatures exist depending upon one another. Toward all that live, I am the same."

The world today is sadly in need of Love—that love which knows no division between friend and foe, Jew nor Gentile, bond nor free, but that love which teaches that all men are children of the one Heavenly Father, the creator of Heaven and Earth and all that in them is.

We must see our fellow man aright before the world can be seen aright and peace be established. Every Mason is responsible for contributing to the spiritual progress of his generation. Letting our light shine is not talking, but doing. A light which is hidden has little value. It must be exposed and its rays allowed to penetrate the darkness of sin and ignorance. Yes, let there be light and let it be expressed by every Mason that it may lighten the world chaos of today.

The United Nations has been working to bring about world peace, but fear, aggression, greed, jealousy and envy are sitting around the peace table shutting out the light of love thoughts of men. We hear talks by the president of the United States and other men of high and rank in our government, all talking for peace, calling for peace, fighting for peace and at the same time devising the most cruel and destructive weapons for the elimination of others who do not agree with our philosophy of government.

There can never be peace in this world until God is understood and His way of life put into action by all people. The need for spiritual guidance is now recognized by the United Nations, and a room for spiritual meditation has been set aside where men of all nations may go to commune with God in his own way. But the actions of some of those men show no indication of accepting His guidance.

This is God's world and we can only expect peace in His way. We are all His children and as He tells us, are equal, one to another, and must overcome our own selfish desires and accept the rights of others in all parts of His world.

The principles of liberty and of equality have been enriched by the ideals of brotherhood. In the radiance of more light, cabletows have been lengthened to bind in fraternal fellowship men who live beyond the seas and in the far parts of this world, thus laying a basis for broad concepts of not only national but worldwide fellowship.

Around the altars of countless Lodges we have asked for light, and we have received light, but it is worthless unless we translate it into action. Let us therefore, in this time of confusion and apprehension endeavor to reflect according to the measure in which we have received the light that has shown on our pathway. It may be a flicker, a glimmer or a steady glow, or perhaps a brilliant radiance, but like the firefly, let it shine, for it will help to chase away the shadows for others so they can walk without stumbling.

Aloft, aloft, we hold the light
For those profane to see.
No better guide could mortal have
Than Light of Masonry.
God-given is this Holy Light.
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For by its gleam all men of earth
Shall ever be made free.

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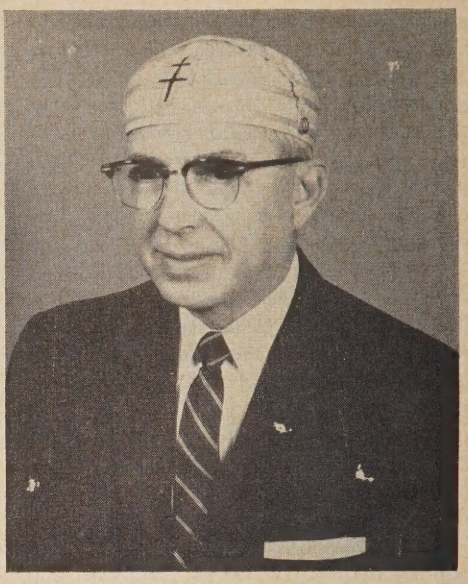

William C. Moore, 33°,
Assistant Director of Work

TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCOTTISH RITE REUNION

NOVEMBER 16, 17 and 18

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Ass't Marshall, Leslie L. Parker, 32°, K.C.C.H.
Organist, Arvids K. Snornieks, 32°

REUNION ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, November 16, 1965

10:00 A.M.— 4°—Secret Master. Charles T. Potter, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by J. E. Lewis, Nat M. Baxter, Stacey T. Lupton, H. L. Lundy.

10:45 A.M.— 5°—Perfect Master. Ben F. Gillikin, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by E. H. Bunting, J. G. McDaniel, Albert Gianotti, L. T. Barrington, H. L. Lundy, J. E. Blaylock, Paul V. Vogan, Ira Stephens, Andrew Murphy, W. E. Gardner.

11:45 A.M.— 6°—Confidential Secretary. Charles R. Gray, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Chas. P. Gaskins, W. J. Rogers, Paul Jewett.

12:15 P.M.— 7°—Provost and Judge. W. I. Gause, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by L. Guy Matthis, Leslie L. Parker, Paul Vogan, R. L. Pugh, Nat Baxter.

1:00 P.M. —Luncheon.

2:15 P.M.— 8°—Intendant of Building. Earl Noe, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by Neal Windley, C. F. Lewis, S. C. Chadwick Jr., Leonard Daniels, Tommie Avery.

3:00 P.M.— 9°—Elu of Nine. W. C. Moore, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Paul Vogan, L. Guy Matthis, C. D. Lancaster, Tom Brown, B. F. Gillikin, H. J. MacDonald, H. W. Gillikin, L. T. Barrington, C. T. Potter, Neil Vester.

4:00 P.M.—10°—Elu of Fifteen. Jather McLawhorn, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by E. P. Blair, Neil Vester, Miller Basnight, J. L. Ashley, A. F. Wood, E. M. Moore, Lester Hart.

4:45 P.M.—11°—Elu of Twelve. Charles H. Whedbee, 32°, Master of Degree. Assisted by J. W. H. Roberts, Paul Jewett, Clyde Stubbs, Owen Lemmon, Neil Vester, Miller Basnight.

12°—Communicated.

5:45 P.M.—13°—Royal Arch of Solomon. E. P. Blair, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Richard H. Lucas, Jack G. White, Raymond Leggett, Oscar Brock.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCOTTISH RITE REUNION (Cont.)

6:30 P.M. —Dinner.

7:30 P.M.—14°—Perfect Elu. Louis N. Howard, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by B. F. Gillikin, O. H. Lemmon, C. W. Guptill, James E. Blaylock, W. E. Gardner, Andrew Murphy, Howard B. Constant.

Wednesday, November 17, 1965

9:15 A.M.—15°—Knight of the East. G. C. Langston, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by A. T. Willis, Jr., Raymond Leggett, R. H. Lucas, Chas T. Potter, R. L. Pugh, C. Wallace Jackson, N. M. Baxter.

16°—Communicated.

11:15 A.M.—17°—Knight of the East and West. Nelson Banks, 32°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Ashley G. Leggett, Ebbie Gaylord, A. B. Hardison, Harry L. Mann and Wm. W. Alligood.

12:00 M. —Luncheon.

1:15 P.M.—18°—Knight of Rose Croix. Edward C. Howard, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by Owen H. Lemmon, S. A. McPherson, Jr., R. L. Pugh, Albert Gianotti, Albert T. Willis, Jr.

19°—Communicated.

3:30 P.M.—20°—Master of Symbolic Lodge. Thomas G. Slate, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Warren H. Coolidge, D. L. McRainey, Quincy J. Scarborough, William C. Hammond, Jr., R. V. McBryde, William S. Oliver, Alex Arab, William L. Ramsey.

4:45 P.M.—21°—Noachite or Prussian Knight. John G. Ormsby, 32°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Tom Brown, R. L. Pugh, Paul V. Vogan, W. H. Scott, W. L. Adams, Guy C. Langston, C. T. Potter, Oscar C. Brock.

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5:30 P.M.—26°—Prince of Mercey, Reynold S. Davenport, 32° K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by J. C. Vail, G. E. Roberts, W. A. S. Aman, H. G. Alberti, G. C. Faville, Jr., W. F. Thomason, Louie J. Smith. and Joseph S. Lane.

6:30 P.M. —Dinner.

7:30 P.M.—27°—Knight Commander of the Temple. L. Guy Matthis, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by Neil Vester, J. D. Reese, A. N. Heath, W. H. Purser, E. P. Blair, Oscar Sermons, W. R. Newell, R. B. Gerock, A. T. Willis, Jr., Guy C. Langston, Raymond Leggett, Oscar C. Brock.

28°—Communicated.

8:45 P.M.—29°—Scottish Knight of St. Andrew. Francis W. Clark, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Robert F. Spence, Clinton E. Bunch, Clifton E. White, Samuel A. McPherson, Jr., Francis Rowe, Walter T. Kirby, Wilborne M. Smith, John A. Sawyer, Ray Piasecki, Clyde Garrett, Irvin Weatherly, Tom Brown, W. T. Hawkins, L. T. Barrington, Ray Bonney.

Thursday, November 18, 1965

9:30 A.M.—30°—Knight Kadosh.

1st Apartment: Walter Kirby, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master; Assisted by Francis W. Clark.

2nd Apartment: Clifton Matthews, 32°, Master. Assisted by Cecil T. Boyette.

3rd Apartment: T. Bruce Boyette, 32°, K.C.C.H. Assisted by Wilson Scottish Rite Club.

4th Apartment: Alonzo Honeycutt, 32°, Master; Assisted by Carl Aycock

12:00 M. —Luncheon

1:30 P.M.—31°—Inspector Inquisitor. L. T. Barrington, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by Francis W. Clark, C. Wallace Jackson, B. F. Gillikin, A. N. Heath, Charles R. Gray, O. H. Lemmon, Albert Gianotti, Chas T. Potter, V. J. Spivey, Warren H. Coolidge, Robert F. Spence, Eddie Paul, Jr.

3:30 P.M.—32°—Master of Royal Secret. Wm. R. Leggett, 32°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Leslie L. Parker, E. P. Blair, Walter Kirby, Robert F. Spence, Frank G. Almond, Wallace Jackson, Lee Dorsey, Kirby Hawkins, Jimmy Rochelle, Johnnie Braxton, Oscar C. Brock, Francis W. Clark, Harvey W. Smith, Chas. R. Gray, C. E. Bunch, W. M. Smith, A. C. Walters, H. F. Griffin, O. H. Lemmon, W. J. Bundy, R. L. Pugh.

5:45 P.M. —Banquet closing Reunion.

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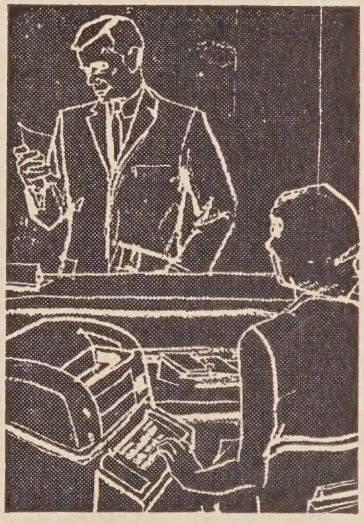

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CIVILIZATION ON TWO WHEELS

"There is a general feeling in the hearts of average men—borne out by the facts that are known to the experts—that our world is at the parting of the ways. We are about to take up a course that will lead upward into a new age, or one that will lead downward into nihilism. The crisis of our time is wholly unprecedented." Thus wrote one of the most influential writers of our day a little less than a score of years ago. Then he added this significant fact: "Civilization is going around the corner on two wheels. Whether it will right itself, or skid off into disaster, is still the unanswered question."

Well, those of us who sit almost a score of years since that utterance would say that civilization is still precariously perched on two wheels! Only the man who is blind to reality is exempt from a feeling of anxiety and uneasiness today.

Our world is sick without and within. To say that is to have to know that anyone can pick the world apart and see the flaws. It takes one who knows how to put it together right to meet the needs of the hour. This poses the question: "Do we know how to do this?" There seems to be a tragic powerlessness even among the leaders of men and nations to gather the broken fragments of humanities lot into one harmony. With no power from which to draw, what can man do to heal the broken hearts of the world or to gather the scattered fragments of mankind? If you have not already pondered this question, it is yours to really consider as a Mason.

You and I need help—and we need it quickly. We need hope and faith that are abiding—for, without these two, man can only wring his hands amidst the troubles of our times. Masonry has always found herself in the arena of life. She often makes her decisions from the bloody sands. It is under the stress of compulsion that the great creative advances of mankind have been hammered out on the anvil of living. The whole of Masonry's teachings evidence the fact that life is in the midst of crisis. That is why

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her demands are so exact and insistent. That is why we have the tragic, as well as the serene, in our pageantry and teachings.

You see, Masonry recognizes that the superficials will not do. To borrow a phrase of Abraham Lincoln. "The dogmas of the quiet past prove themselves inadequate for the stormy future." Many of us need to re-examine the faith we affirm at the alters of our lodge.

In times like ours, men are not going to be permanently satisfied by a "washed out" faith that seems to think that the idea is to see how little one can really believe! Men are not going to be permanently changed by a Masonry which, for them, mistakes the form of our Craft for it's substance. Men do not need peace of mind; they need peace of conscience. Our teachings and affirmations must be authenticated by: love, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, temperance, justice, and self control. We must be driven back to our fundamental knowledge of the love and being of God, Himself.

We can no longer afford the luxury of nominal Masons! We must never fight the rear-guard action nor approach the problems of our day in the manner described by Winston Churchill. While describing the administration of Lord Melborne, he said that he "wore an eighteenth century air in the midst of a nineteenth century stress."

Sure, we have a new and strange world on our hands! But let us not, in facing that world, do as the farmer of whom I read recently. It seems that there was a giant covered bridge in his community which was over twelve feet long. One day he approached the bridge with a great load of hay. After looking down that tunnel, he turned his team around and started back home. When asked why he did it, he replied: "Well, I could get in alright; but, blamed if I could ever get this load through that little hole at the other end!" His perspective fooled him. Never let your perspective of the present day fool you. The farther we travel, under the True Light, the wider the opening seems to get. Light is added to light and we walk with confidence that the way—though not always clear—is always safe.

Let this be our prayer as Masons (our daily prayer): "Well Lord—here we are again, reporting for duty. Teach us to give thanks, accept, and obey." Thus shall civilization's unanswered question find its complete answer. Thus shall we fill our destiny. Thus shall we be truly masonic.

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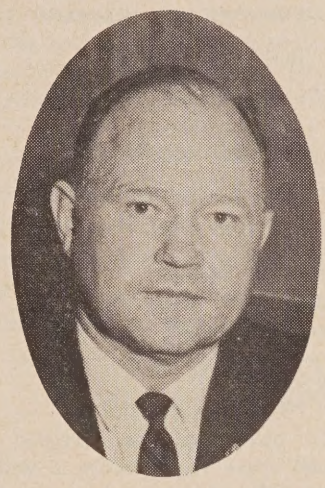

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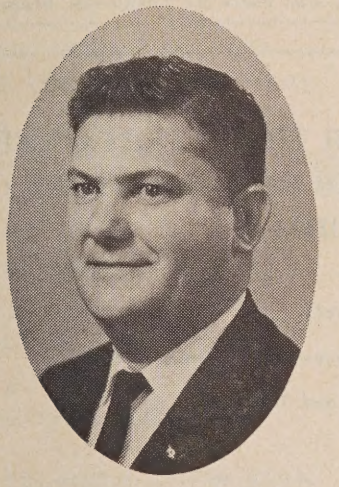

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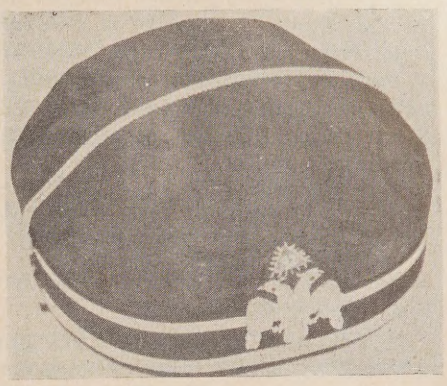

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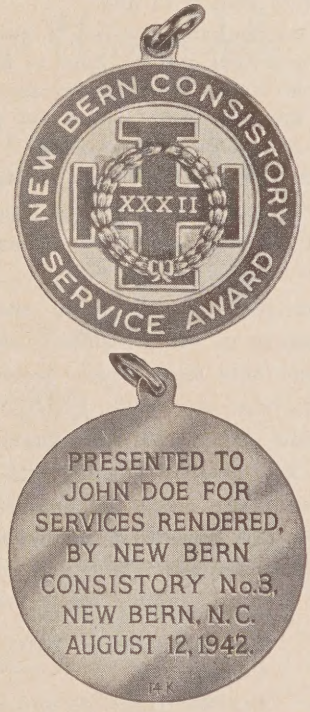

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1:30 P.M. Tour of Fort Macon, Atlantic Beach, Emerald Isle and quaint Swansboro.
6:00 P.M. Dinner with husband at Scottish Rite Temple

Wednesday, November 17th

9:30 A.M. Tour of Tryon's Palace and its Formal 18th Century Gardens
12:30 P.M. Lunch—With husband at Scottish Rite Temple
2:00 P.M. Tour of New Bern's Famous 67 Points of Historic Interest
6:00 P.M. Dinner with husband at Temple

Thursday, November 18th

8:30 A.M. Tour of Camp Lejeune
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Major General Herman Nickerson, Jr., 32°, assumed command of Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, on June 14th of this year. He had served as Commanding General, Marine Corps Supply Center, Barstow, California, for two years immediately prior to assuming the local command.

Commissioned a second lieutenant in July of 1935, Brother Nickerson rose steadily through the ranks and was promoted to his present rank on July 1, 1962. The general's thirty years in the Marine Corps have included combat tours in the Pacific during World War II and the Korean War, and he has been highly decorated for his outstanding performance and devotion to duty. Among his many decorations is the Army Distinguished Service Cross, the Nation's second highest combat award, awarded for extraordinary heroism while commanding a Marine Regiment in Korea on May 31, 1951.

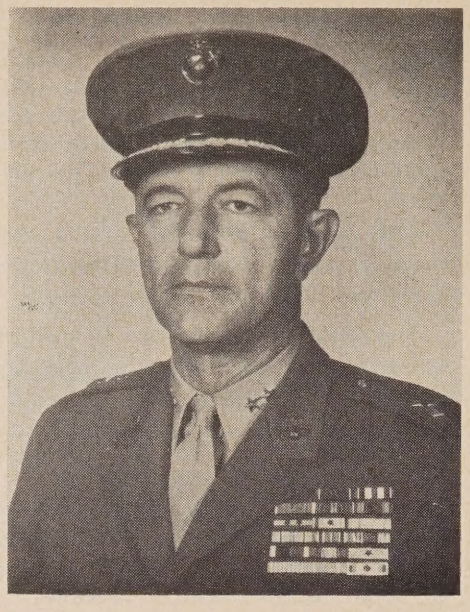
This distinguished Marine is also a distinguished Mason. In his youth Brother Nickerson was a member of Battle Green Chapter, Order of DeMolay, Lexington, Massachusetts. He is a member of Barstow Lodge No. 682, Barstow, California. His Scottish Rite membership is in California Consistory, Valley of San Francisco, Orient of California. He is Past President of Barstow Chapter 271, National Sojourners, Inc.; a member of the Heroes of '76, Calico Camp; and a multiple member of Camp Lejeune Chapter 329, National Sojourners. As this is written he is scheduled to become a member of Sudan Temple on September 25th.

Brother Nickerson is extremely interested in furthering knowledge of our heritage, as evidenced by his memberships in the California Society of Colonial Wars; National Society of Colonial Wars; National SAR; and Massachusetts Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

General Nickerson is married to the former Phyllis Anne Winters of Tacoma, Washington. To this union have been born a son, John H., and a daughter, Dennis Anne.

Since arriving at Camp Lejeune Brother Nickerson has paid several visits to local blue lodges and to meetings of Masonic-connected organizations. He has recently participated in conferring the third degree of Masonry and has expressed his desire to learn as much as possible of the North Carolina ritual. He is planning to attend our November Reunion in New Bern if at all possible.

Brother Nickerson has clearly demonstrated his love for our great Nation. He has also clearly demonstrated his deep and abiding interest in Masonry, and we cordially welcome this distinguished Marine and Mason to our midst.



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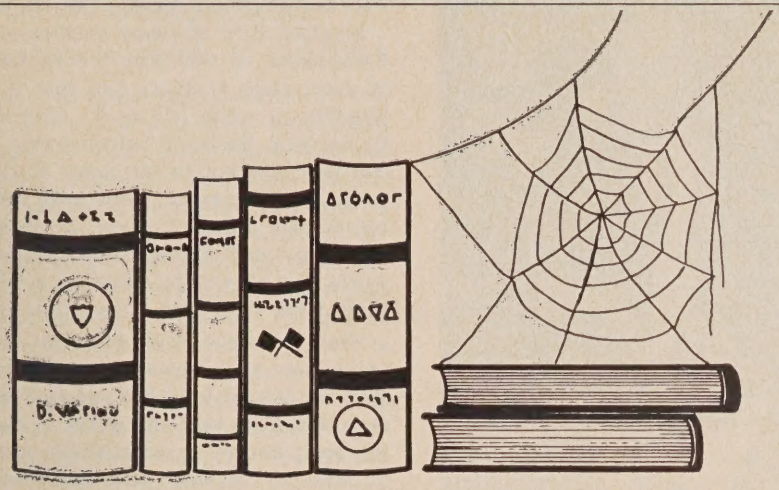

TEMPLE TOMES

Chances are we all missed something in the Knight of the Sun, or twenty-eighth degree. We probably lingered lightly on the "Covenant of Salt," which deserves a second look.

In the fourth book of the "TNK" (old Testament) God says through Moses "It is a covenant of salt forever before the Lord unto thee and to thy seed with thee." This act of eating another's salt has always been regarded as a token of fidelity and friendship. Sometimes bread and salt are eaten together, making a covenant. "There is bread and salt between us, we are brothers." The custom came down from the mists of antiquity. The covenant can never be forgotten or renounced.

On the Arabian peninsular the word "Nemekharam" means "faithless to salt" or traitor. In much of the Middle East salt means "togetherness — bound by covenant." In Babylonian (Aramaic) it means "covenant, treaty, contract."

It is interesting to note that the center of hospitality is the home, and the center of the home is the table, and in the center of the table is the salt; And he who breaks bread and eats salt here has been accepted and lives therefrom under an unwritten covenant of friendship and love.

There is a Lot to be considered about salt. For instance. Table salt is what we mean by "salt." Sea salts are mixtures of salts with a highly delectible tang. This is also true of the salt of the Dead Sea. The table salt of the Middle East has always been a compound of delightfully mixed salts. Besides being a pleasant addition to food, it is a necessity of life. Among the American Indians tribal wars were fought over salt deposits.

In our modern world we have come to look on salt in its chemical nature. Probably the most interesting fact of table salt is that it is conductive. If a salt solution is "hooked" into an electric circuit, the current will pass through the salt solution, lighting a bulb within the circuit.

This same property is responsible for the "condiment" role in seasoning. Without salt, food is very bland, but once the right amount of salt is added the food becomes "conductive" and delightfully tasty. Salt is necessary in human metabolism, to convert food to body energy.

If we keep this in mind, we can look back to some of the more ancient concepts and find the allusions to salt crystal clear. For instance, "Ought ye not to know that the Lord God of Israel gave the kingdom over Israel to David forever, even to him and to his sons by a covenant of salt?" (II Chr. 13:5)

In our twenty-eighth degree we hear "All of the heave offerings of the holy things, which the children of Israel offer unto the Lord, have I given thee, and thy sons and thy daughters with thee, by a statute forever; It is a covenant of salt for ever before the Lord unto thee and to thy seed with thee." (Nu. 18,19)

Look how clear it becomes in the New Testament, when Masiach Ben David (Jesus) said in his sermon-on-the-mount "You are the salt of the earth," he wasn't talking to a mixed multitude. He was speaking to His own. Listen: "And seeing the multitudes, He went up into a mountain. And when He was set, His disciples came unto Him: and He opened His mouth and taught them. To His own He said 'Ye are the salt of the earth.'"

In effect He was saying "You are the electro-conductors of the Word, Life to save flesh from corruption and decay. You are the condiment to transmit the bread of life into spiritual energy of the body, that each total sacrifice might be a sweet savor unto God who art in heaven. You are to metabolize this energy into Love, that men might see and know that you have been with the Lord."

Salt then becomes a symbol of Love, and "You are the Love of the world" becomes the manifest reality. If we are conductors of Love, we are then the messengers of Love, transmitting God's Love between man and man, that it might return to our heavenly Father a sweet savor to our total sacrifice—a savor of Life unto Life. If salt loses its savor we always have our Savior.

This gives us a clearer understanding of what Paul meant when he said in his letter to the Colossians "Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how you ought to answer every man." Remember, too, that Love is a powerful weapon. It can destroy the enemy within and the enemy without; It can change powerful foes to humble friends.

Now, it is Autumn; The Scottish Rite re-union is drawing nearer, where we will have opportunity to renew the "covenant of salt" and to exemplify it at home and abroad with that new and powerful weapon—Love.

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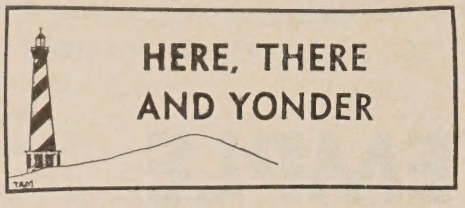

A BEAUTIFUL SYSTEM OF MORALS

By E. P. Blair, 33°, Vanceboro, N. C.

There comes a time in every man's life when he must take an inventory of himself, why he is really here? What he must try to do and wherein he can get the most out of this life; that is given to him. There is one settled fact to begin with, namely, we will never get out of this life alive. Each of us have certain responsibilities to ourselves, to our loved ones, and to that multitude of people who live round about us. In considering these things, we must choose between one of two avenues of thought. Some men base their belief only on those things that they can see demonstrated before their very eyes. To them knowledge is the beginning and the end of everything. Faith has no place in their plans; it is only for the mystic.

However those same individuals would not refuse electricity, they love their radios and T.V. They never stop to think and honestly wonder how or why? So it is with man's faith, this strange power cannot be analyzed by the human mind, but those who have used it and have enjoyed its many blessings do not need to have it dissected or taken apart for their eyes to see.

My belief in Scottish Masonry is mine, it belongs to me. I cannot really pass it on to another. Each person must develop his own system of morals as he reads, attends the reunions, and takes part in its many activities. To me, Scottish Masonry contains the most beautiful system of morals of any movement, save our church.

It is most important that men learn to think in these troubled times, because we cannot get out of this life alive. This involves faith, *we must believe in God, We must believe in ourselves, and what we can mean to others round about us.* I shall never believe that God's plan of creation was for us to do nothing, to be of no value to anyone; simply to exist and pass on unnoticed to the great beyond.

Ed Blair 33°, Vanceboro, N. C.

Scottish Masonry like a loving and wise mother prefers to teach by influence and atmosphere and by means of a spirit which seems to infiltrate those about its presence. It seems to grow within you, it never drives you, neither does it intrude, it is a matter of gentle persuasion. All that Scottish Masonry requires is that we express a belief in God. It does not require that we analyze these thoughts. It simply lays them before us with words and actions. We are left to choose the path, we wish to follow.

No man can put such a belief in words, nor does Scottish Rite Masonry ask you to do so. All that it seeks to ask is, *simply, and humbly "in whom you put your trust," and then it shows us the way to find the basis of that Trust.* Scottish Masonry asks you to think, to consider yourself and what you can be and can mean to others. It does this because, it is a fact, that we will never get out of this life alive.

Scottish Rite Masonry teaches men the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man; then it shows you that it is impossible to enjoy life at its best without it. Scottish Masonry believes that people can live together in the same world with peace and harmony, even with different ideals and different ideas. It shows one how they can make room in the same world for others, by creating a place in their lives that only others can fill.

Yes, I believe that Scottish Masonry raises our eyes upward and inward; so that we cannot help but see God and see Man. I believe that the world is challenging each one of us to reaffirm our faith in Masonry, in God, and in ourselves. I believe that Scottish Masonry can help us in our daily relations with man by teaching us how to live. I believe this because I have seen it tried and tested in times of stress and strain.

Thus I know that Scottish Masonry is one of the most beautiful systems of morals on earth, and I am glad that I am a small part of that great movement, and I am proud to pass it on to others.

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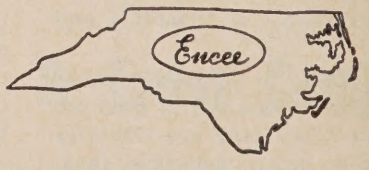

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Autumn is again accompanied to this region by the never-failing hurricanes, and these inevitably bestir the forecasters with their generally inaccurate predictions, likewise never-failing. As this is written Hurricane Betsy is wreaking havoc to the south and southwest of us following a series of direction changes which have been generally contrary (as usual) to the predictions of the experts. This is not to criticize the forecasters for their inability to accurately predict hurricane movements, but is merely to say that they should admit this inability. We should award a medal to the first forecaster who ever displays the courage to admit what everyone else already knows—that he doesn't know where a hurricane is going, what it is going to do when it gets there, or why.

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LAST EASTER the children next door were the happy recipients of biddies, bunnies, and ducklings; variously colored and, as we shall see, ill-fated. For a time their back yard resounded with peeps and squeaks and had the general appearance of a Walt Disney creation.

Certain neighborhood cats and dogs developed an immediate and abiding interest in the tiny creatures, and it was soon apparent that this interest was entirely predatory. Each morning one or more of the Easter pets failed to make roll call, and their ranks were soon so depopulated that there eventually survived a long purple biddy. This biddy was carefully guarded and nourished and is today a strutting red rooster.

This rooster just went through the learning-to-crow stage. This must be a particularly trying time in the life of a young rooster, because his first efforts are invariably such as to cause him great embarrassment and probably leave him with a feeling of general inadequacy. If he happens to be a member of a flock he can be sure that each time he squawkingly

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fails to produce the proper notes the older roosters will eye him scornfully and will promptly, one by one, crow loudly and majestically—with a great flapping of wings. The hens of the flock are duly attentive to these vocal offerings and the neophyte knows that the ladies must be acquiring unfavorable opinions as regards his attempts to emerge into full roosterhood. Thus his highest ambitions are temporarily foiled.

Our next-door rooster was rather fortunate in this particular respect, in that there were no other roosters around to display contempt for his faltering vocalizations, or to humiliate him with their own note-pure crescendos. Of course, by the same token, neither were there any hens around, and one may wonder just what purpose there could be in even learning to crow under such unrewarding circumstances.

Nevertheless, young Chanticlear stuck with it and can now crow loud enough to awaken everyone in his general vicinity. This achievement has apparently imbued him with a considerable quantity of derring-do, as he will now challenge anything or anybody that moves. With head lowered and wings-akimbo he'll charge stiff-leggedly across the yard to attack a sleepy cat or a wind-shaken bush. He's not particular—just so it moves. I've never been particularly fond of chickens, unless they were properly prepared and placed before me on a platter, but this young rooster is different. To an old country boy long removed from the country there are certain sights, smells, and sounds that eventually become almost sacred, and the early morning crowing of our feathered neighbor has come to be one of the highlights of my day. I guess I've become genuinely fond of that rooster.

Alas, the very quality that has endeared the rooster to me has proved his undoing. Various uncountryfied neighbors have so objected to the sunrise serenades that I am told that my friend is destined for the stewpot.

Not only am I to be deprived of his daily salute to the rising sun, but Roger Kirk had promised to come around and show me how to hypnotize him. Life is full of disappointments.

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SCOTTISH RITE CLUBS

THE ALBERT PIKE SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The "Albert Pike Scottish Rite Club" of Plymouth, N. C. held their regular meeting on Thursday night Aug. 12, 1965 at "The Masonic Temple" Plymouth, N. C. A delightful ham dinner was served, and enjoyed by the entire club.

The following officers were present: Brother George Raymond Leggett, Sr., President; Brother Wilmer C. Chesson, Secretary and Treasurer. Other Brethren present: Frank Bickerstaff, R. H. Lucas, Dan K. Pittman, Hugh Brown, Randy Waters, Hilton Dunbar, Tom Gardner, Bryant Harris, William H. Leary, and Edgar Bateman prospective candidate.

Our next meeting will be at "Tettertons Restaurant" Plymouth, N. C., Sept. 9, 1965 at 7:00 P.M.

Anyone who has worked with people very much knows that one of the favorite indoor sports in America is "passing the buck." We are expert in playing the "circular game of side-stepping responsibility."

If I understand aright the temper of our times, one of our most dangerous moods is the growing Disinclination to Shoulder One's Own Personal Responsibilities.

And it is not difficult to understand why this mood should be so prevalent. There are several reasons for it.

For one thing, we face such titantic problems that individual possibility seems exceedingly limited. Such mighty problems as economic maladjustment, widespread and costly crime, reckless intemperance, lax moral standards, rampant militarism, careless disregard of the demands of religion tend to develop a feeling of helplessness. Facing these gigantic forces, who am I? And what can I do? Probably there are times when all of us have to struggle to keep from saying "What's the use?"

But in our saner moments, we know there is some use. We are not entirely determined, bound in, helplessly controlled by these social forces. If history teaches anything, it seems to teach that the intimate, personal factors are more influential and determinative in the long run than are the huge, world-wide social forces. For example, one man changes our world by watching an apple fall; one man brings into the world the marvellous transformations of the machine age by noticing the steam lift the lid on his mother's kettle; One man transforms the moral complexion of the world by demonstrating what can be done through the operation of intelligent love. Of course, each one is small and weak in comparison with the powerful forces against which we have to battle. But in such a situation the working philosophy of Edward Everett Hale should be helpful. Said he "I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something; and I will not allow what I cannot do to interfere with what I can do.

It is much easier to deal with general social issues than it is to clean up and rightly regulate our own individual lives.

I may loudly proclaim the magnificence of Masonry and of my Lodge, and manifest an amount of loyalty which would not do credit to a profane. It demands less effort to maintain an interest in large social issues than it does to clean up and straighten up our own individual lives.

The progress of any group is conditioned by the quality of individuals who make up the group, and by the willingness of each to assume his personal responsibility.

WILMER C. CHESSON
Secretary

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night Oct. 14, 1965 at "Hub's Reck," Belhaven, N. C. all members' wives are invited.

Because of the troubled times in which we live, every Scottish Rite Mason, as well as every American citizen, should be reminded of the words of the great Apostle Paul in the thirteenth chapter of his letter to the Romans: Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God; and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. For rules are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? Do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. For this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing. Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantoness, not in strife and envying.

It is a dangerous thing to try new experiments in a government; men do not foresee the ill consequences that must happen when they go about to alter the essential parts of it upon which the whole frame depends; for all governments are artificial things, and every part of them has a dependence one upon another. And it is with them as with clocks and watches —if you should put great wheels in place of little ones, and little ones in place of great ones, all the movement would stand still: so that we cannot alter any part of a government without prejudicing the motions of the whole.

WALTER C. CHESSON, *Secretary*

LENOIR COUNTY SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

A meeting of the Lenoir County Scottish Rite Club was held on Wednesday night, September 8th. The meeting was presided over by President Lee Dorsey, 32° and there were about forty members present.

A very sumptuous meal was served and each member ordered according to his own choice of food, after which the moving picture, "In the Hearts of Men," was shown by the Secretary of the New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies, Brother Charlie Seifert, 33°. The film was enjoyed by everyone who saw it and from the enthusiastic remarks after the showing was completed there was no doubt that the Brethren present were thoroughly inspired by the new light in Masonry provided by the film.

The meeting was much enjoyed by all the Brethren present and they are all looking forward to new films which the Supreme Council in Washington has intimated they will provide.

MARTIN COUNTY SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The Martin County Scottish Rite Club held a meeting on Wednesday, August 25th, at Town & Country Restaurant with eighteen members present.

After a delicious dinner, routine business was transacted. A nominating committee was named to select officers for the coming year.

T. MARVIN BRITTON, 32°
Secretary-Treasurer

PERQUIMANS COUNTY SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The Perquimans County Scottish Rite Club held a meeting on Monday night, August 30, 1965, with a splendid attendance present. Most of the members have returned from their vacations and can now concentrate more fully on some responsibilities before us. The Blue Lodge here has been doing some excellent work, and we have several new Master Masons who are interested in advancing their knowledge and learning more of the Mystic Ties. And accordingly the Perquimans County Scottish Rite Club planned to have our annual charcoal cook-out ladies' night steak party at the Hertford Recreation Center on Thursday evening, September 23, 1965, and at which time and place we are hoping to have several of the brethren and their good ladies from New Bern present to help us sell the Scottish Rite Degrees to some prospects who will be present with us.

PERQUIMANS COUNTY SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

On Thursday evening, September 23, 1965, at the Hertford Recreation Center, the Perquimans County Scottish Rite Club put on their annual charcoal steak cook-out ladies' night party, with the largest attendance yet of our cook-out parties. The following invited guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Seifert and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Jones and Sam Parham, all from New Bern, and Rev. and Mrs. Frank Parham from Winfall; and the following members of the Perquimans County Scottish Rite Club and their wives and a few friends were present: Mr. and Mrs. Willie Ainsley, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Batchelor, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burbage, Preston Blanchard and Miss Kate Blanchard, Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Bonner, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Buck and Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Campen, Mr. and Mrs. Whit Cartwright, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Newton, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Landing Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Perry, Jack Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Spivey Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Matt M. Spivey Jr., Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Spivey, Mr. and Mrs. Tuck Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Webb, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Winslow; and the following prospective new members and their wives were present: Mr. and Mrs. Keith Haskett, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Perry Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. James Gregory White. The invocation was given by the Rev. Frank Parham, and after which everybody settled down to enjoy those sizzling steaks that had been so well prepared by Shelton Morgan, Tuck Webb, Horace Webb, Carson Spivey Sr., Box Spivey, Matt Spivey Jr., and several others gave them a hand in one way or another. Brother Charlie, who is always a most welcome guest at

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any of our parties, gave a splendid talk to the Scottish Rite members and especially to the prospective members, and Brother Wallace Jones gave us an interesting talk. A general good time was had by everyone present, and the spirit of cooperation and fellowship was most excellent. The club wishes to especially thank the food committee, as named above, for their excellent service in securing and preparing the food: A Job Well Done.

OCRACOKE ISLAND SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The first meeting of the Ocracoke Scottish Rite Club for the fall of 1965 was held on September 14th. Brother Charlie Seifert, 33°, Secretary, Wallace Jones, 32°, Treasurer, of the New Bern Consistory accompanied by their wives attended the meeting. Brother Seifert and Brother Jones both were very enthused over the picture "In the Hearts of Men" and were anxious that all the members see the movie.

Brothers Seifert and Jones and their wives came by way of steamer "Silver Lake" from Cedar Island to Ocracoke. The voyage gave them an apportunity to acquaint themselves with the new Ferry and new Ferry route and the service. They were conducted to the Pony Island Inn for lodging and dinner. The Secretary of the Ocracoke Scottish Rite Club escorted the party around the Island and pointed out points of interest.

At 7:30 P.M. the meeting was called to order and the movie presented with much information regarding past and present Masons. After the showing of the movie a short meeting was held by members of the Ocracoke Island Scottish Rite Club and it was noted that we would elect officers and also a sick committee at our next meeting.

We were informed by the visiting Brethren that Brother R. D. Shinkle, 32°, K.C.C.H. had undergone surgery at the Craven County Hospital and a get-well card was sent him by the Club.

Our next meeting will be held on October 4th at which time we will arrange for our ladies' night party.

MARVIN W. HOWARD, 32°
Secretary-Treasurer

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Beaufort, N. C.

Dear Mr. Seifert,

I deeply appreciate the check to the Oxford Orphanage, to establish a perpetual memorial in the name of my husband.

I am grateful to you for the lifetime courtesy card extended to me.

Most sincerely,
Bonnie W. Dudley
(Mrs. G. L. Dudley)

In Memoriam

When the last feeble steps have been taken,
And the gates of the Lodge shall appear.
And the beautiful songs of the angels
Float out on the listening ear,
Then all that now seems mysterious,
Will be plain and clear as the day,
And the toils of the road will seem nothing,
When we get to the end of the way.

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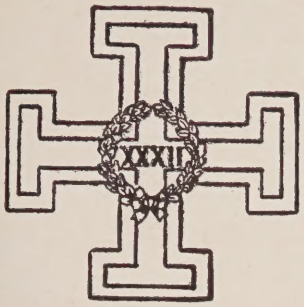

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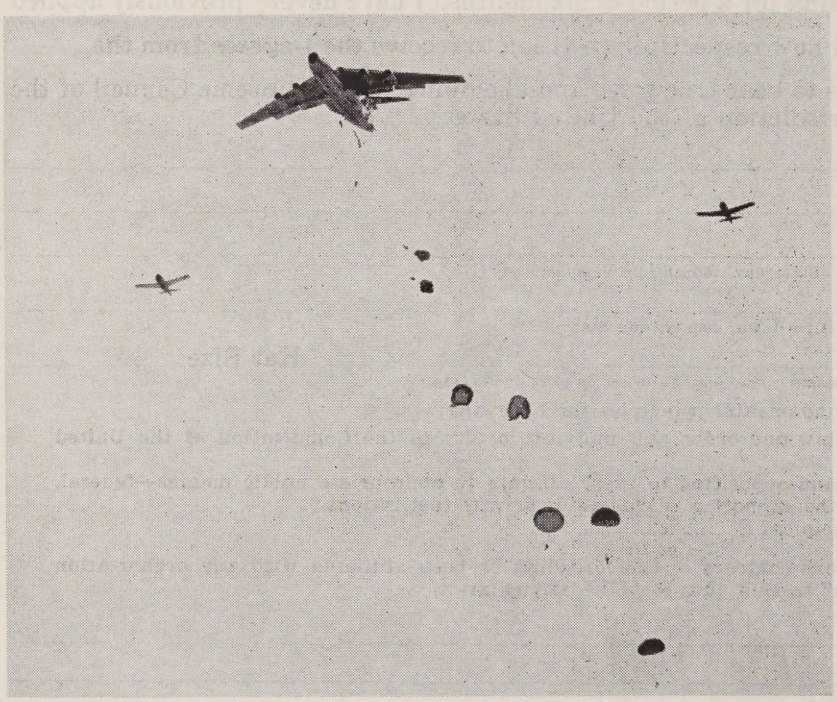

PARATROOPERS JUMP FROM JET—For the first time in military history, paratroopers of the 18th Airborne Corps and USA John F. Kennedy Center for Special Warfare at Sicily Drop Zone, Ft. Bragg, N. C., made a mass jump from a jet transport, the Air Force C-141 Lockheed Starlifter. Col. Joseph R. Ryneska, president of the Army Airborne, Electronics and Special Warfare Board, and Col. Joseph W. Dale, test director, reported the jumps Aug. 16 by 81 paratroopers were highly successful. The MATS fanjet flew at a speed of 150 mph. and drops were from an altitude of 1,250 ft. First jet jumper was Colonel Ryneska.

HQ, XVIII ABC — A new chapter in the history of airborne operations was opened August 16, as the first mass staticline jump from a jet powered aircraft took place over Ft. Bragg's Sicily Drop Zone. The craft, the huge Lockheed-Georgia C-141, is the ultimate machine now in operation for transporting men and material.

The first man to exit the new plane was Colonel Joseph Ryneska, president of the Airborne, Electronics and Special Warfare Board, an organization instrumental in the development of the Starlifter. The board, in conjunction with the U. S. Air Force, was responsible for testing the airdrop and air delivery phases of the C-141.

Following the jump, Mr. Douglas Wheeler, deputy director for marketing, Lockheed-Georgia Corporation, acting as a representative of the firm's vice-president, Charles F. Wagner, presented Col. Ryneska and MSgt. Morris R. Swan, the chief test and maintenance NCO for the project, miniature models of the plane with a small statue of an airborne soldier also on the pedestal. The models were inscribed appropriately, naming Col. Ryneska as the first officer to jump from the plane and Sgt. Swan as the first enlisted man.

Among the jumpers on the historic flight were MajGen. Joe S. Lawrie, commanding general, 82nd Airborne Division, XVIII Airborne Corps (Rear) and Ft. Bragg, and members of the Airborne, Electronics and Special Warfare Board and invited guests. A total of 81 men jumped from the plane during its five passes over the sandy Sicily Drop Zone.

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